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Assemblymember Paul Koretz (D – West Hollywood) has introduced Assembly Bill 2222 (AB2222) designed to prevent boater deaths from carbon monoxide poisoning. The Recreation Boaters of California, a state wide organization that promotes boater safety, is supporting this legislation that would prohibit the operation of a boat while someone is either teak surfing or body surfing while the boat is underway. Teak surfing is a fad in which swimmers hang from the rear of a moving boat and drop off to surf the wake. The AB 2222 has been introduced to protect boaters and swimmers from this practice, which has killed 3 people since 2000 from engine carbon monoxide. The legislation is supported by research, which has been submitted by Federal health agencies and would provide for enhanced safety on the water ways.

I, THEREFORE MOVE, that the Board of Supervisors instruct the Chief Administrative Officer to send correspondence to the Los Angeles County Delegation of State Senator and Assemblymembers and Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger urging support and early enactment of AB 2222.

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